Mountain Weather Forecast

Northwest Highlands

Including Sutherland, Ben Wyvis, Wester Ross, The Cuillin, Glen Affric, Glen Shiel and Knoydart
Forecast valid from 06:00 on Friday 17 Sep 2021 until 23:59 on Saturday 18 Sep 2021

Forecast Issued on Friday 17 Sep 2021 at 02:55 by Met Office Aberdeen

Confidence: Low confidence eastern extent of low cloud and rain on Friday. Low for extent of any rain and low cloud over the weekend

Headline for Friday 17 Sep 2021: . Cloudy with rain at times, persistent across the south of the area

Mountain weather hazards on Friday 17 Sep 2021

Blizzards
No Likelihood

Heavy Snow
No Likelihood

Storm force winds
No Likelihood

Gales
No Likelihood

Severe chill effect
No Likelihood

Poor visibility
Medium Likelihood

Thunderstorms
No Likelihood

Heavy persistent rain
Low Likelihood

Strong sunlight
No Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m					
Time					
06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Light rain	Heavy Rain	Heavy Rain	Heavy Rain	Dull	Partly cloudy (night)
Precipitation probability					
50%	50%	50%	50%	20%	10%

Forecast for Friday 17 Sep 2021

Weather: Western ranges will have a cloudy day with some rain at times, this may become persistent and occasionally heavy across Skye and western Lochaber by afternoon. Elsewhere, eastern ranges are likely to see more in the way of drier weather until later in the afternoon, some breaks in the cloud sheet expected too, the best of these across Easter Ross and the northern end of the Great Glen. Turning clearer in the evening.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: 40% rising 780% in the evening

Visibility: Poor in rain or extensive low cloud down to 600 metres across Skye, Lochaber, Wester Ross and Sutherland. Ranges to the east will see more in the way of shelter with patchy cloud around 700 metres Becoming mainly good in the evening

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph) Wind Direction (blowing from)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1000	40/46 S	34/42 S	35/42 S	22/28 SW	18/23 SW	15/19 SW	13/17 SW
900	36/42 S	32/39 S	31/38 S	22/28 SW	18/22 SW	14/18 SW	12/16 SW
600	25/31 S	22/29 S	22/29 S	17/23 SW	13/17 SW	10/14 SW	7/11 SW
300	5/29 S	7/27 S	6/28 S	6/21 SW	4/16 SW	3/14 SW	2/11 SW
Glen	13/27 S	11/24 S	13/27 S	8/16 W	4/11 SW	3/9 S	2/7 W

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1000	10/4	10/5	10/5	9/5	7/3	7/3	6/3
900	10/5	10/6	11/6	9/6	8/4	8/4	7/4
600	12/8	12/9	13/9	11/8	10/8	10/8	9/7
300	14/13	14/13	14/14	13/12	12/12	12/11	11/11
Glen	16/14	16/14	17/15	15/14	14/14	14/14	13/13
Freezing Level*	3000m	3100m	3100m	3000m	2600m	2200m	2000m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View
Strong winds will make for drenching conditions at height across western ranges in the morning, winds moderating through the afternoon.

Forecast for Saturday 18 Sep 2021
Weather: Low confidence for detail. A cloudy start with some patchy light rain. Some brighter and drier weather developing in the afternoon, but low confidence for the extent of this, this mostly likely in the southwest of the areas.

Maximum wind: Southerly 10 mph

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: 40%

Visibility: Low cloud expected to be extensive down to 600 metres, but may clear from the southwest in the afternoon.

Temperature: **Glens:** Plus 12 rising to 18 Celsius
At 800m: Plus 11 Celsius
Freezing level: Above summits

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